

1 [Memorandum of Agreement - United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service
2 - Not to Exceed \$12,500,000]

3 **Resolution authorizing the General Manager of the San Francisco Public Utilities**
4 **Commission to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with the United States**
5 **Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Yosemite National Park, for**
6 **comprehensive management of watersheds within Yosemite National Park supplying**
7 **the San Francisco Regional Water System for an amount not to exceed \$12,500,000 and**
8 **a total duration of two years from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2018, pursuant to**
9 **Charter, Section 9.118.**

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11 WHEREAS, On May 10, 2016, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission approved
12 the Comprehensive Management of Watersheds within Yosemite National Park Supplying the
13 San Francisco Regional Water System in Resolution No. 16-0089, which includes
14 collaborative environmental stewardship studies and security for the Yosemite National Park
15 watersheds that supply water to the San Francisco Regional Water System; and

16 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) and the National
17 Park Service (NPS) desire to continue their cooperation in their common goal and
18 acknowledge the SFPUC’s financial commitment and the NPS’ implementation commitment to
19 water shed protection, environmental stewardship and security programs; and

20 WHEREAS, Services are anticipated to begin July 1, 2016, and end June 30, 2018,
21 and the total duration of this agreement is twenty-four (24) months; and

22 WHEREAS, The estimated cost of services over two years is \$12,500,000; and

23 WHEREAS, The SFPUC Bureau of Environmental Management has determined
24 adoption of this Resolution does not constitute a “project” under California Environmental
25 Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, Section 15378 subsection (b) (2) which includes continuing

1 administrative or maintenance activities and subsection (b) (4) which includes creation of a
2 government funding mechanism or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any
3 commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact
4 on the environment; and

5 WHEREAS, Should funding authorized under the subject MOA involve activities other
6 than personnel-related functions, approval and implementation of those activities by the
7 National Park Service, Yosemite National Park would be subject to compliance with the
8 National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA); and

9 WHEREAS, Funds for this agreement will be available from the Hetch Hetchy
10 operating budget as appropriated through the City and County of San Francisco's two-year
11 budget process; now therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the General Manager of
13 the SFPUC to execute an Agreement through the SFPUC's Memorandum of Agreement
14 (MOA) with the United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Yosemite
15 National Park, for comprehensive management of watersheds within Yosemite National Park
16 supplying the San Francisco Regional Water System for an amount not to exceed
17 \$12,500,000, and a total duration of two (2) years, pursuant to Charter, Section 9.118; and, be
18 it

19 FURTHER RESOLVED, That within (30) days of the agreement being fully executed by
20 all parties, the General Manager of the SFPUC shall provide the final agreement to the Clerk
21 of the Board for inclusion into the official file.

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